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Commissioner Gail Hambrick to Host Flat Shoals Park Celebration

Food, entertainment and new renovations to be unveiled at community park celebration

Jonesboro- Clayton County Board of Commissioner Gail Hambrick (District 2) will host her annual community festival on Saturday, October 1, 2011. The event is free and will take place from 9:00am – 1:00pm at Flat Shoals Park located at 1915 Flat Shoals Road, Riverdale, GA, and will open with Sand Konscious African Drummers. The public is invited to attend.

In addition to cooking and tennis demonstrations, Commissioner Hambrick will unveil the park's newly renovated tennis court, bathrooms, pavilion, as well as brand new playground equipment, a state-of-the-art batting cage, and park fencing. Seniors from Frank Bailey Center will help provide entertainment during the festival with Zumba Dancing and Chicago-style Stepping. Other festival events include entertainment by North Clayton High School Drum-Line, concession row, a Community Information Center, the Farmers Market, Clayton County Police Safety representatives, Flat Shoals Park community partners, and a fun-filled *Kids Korner* featuring a moonwalk, face painting, magic shows, a clown and much, much more.

Commissioner Hambrick is pleased to present the completion of this first phase of the park's renovations. Phase I upgrades were made possible through various funding sources that include Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG) and SPLOST. "I am delighted to have been instrumental in overseeing the funding, equipment upgrades and renovations that have occurred at Flat Shoals Park. As a strong supporter of maintaining a healthy lifestyle, the health of my constituents is a top concern of mine. It is one of the reasons why I partnered with the Board of Health over a year ago to create the community garden that we will also showcase at the festival. The garden is a plot of land located near the front entrance of the park where individuals and subdivision Home Owner Associations (HOAs) maintain and grow their own fresh vegetables. I believe that the residents are deserving of a place to visit in their community that offers various forms of outdoor physical fitness activities, and that is not only safe, but has quality equipment and facilities for everyone to enjoy. It is for this reason that I am inviting everyone to come out and join me and all of my community partners on Saturday, October 1, as we unveil the park improvements."

For more information regarding the Flat Shoals Community Festival contact Tina Howard at 770-473-5751.

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